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TO AMEMBASSY TOKYO

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SUBJECT: FINANCE MINISTER FUKUDA VISIT TO US

1. SECRETARY'S OFFICE WAS CALLED MAY 17 FROM TOKYO BY A PROFESSOR NISHIYAMA (TELEPHONE 04 62 74 2007) WHO CLAIMED TO BE CALLING ON BEHALF OF FINANCE MINISTER FUKUDA WHO WAS PLANNING TO VISIT WASHINGTON JUNE 10-11. NISHIYAMA INVITED SECRETARY TO PARTICIPATE IN PRIVATE BREAKFAST AT 8:30, JUNE 21 TO BE HOSTED BY FUKUDA. NISHIYAMA INDICATED THAT IN ADDITION TO THE SECRETARY, ARTHUR BURNS, GEORGE SCHULTZ, WILLIAM SIMON, ROY ASH, AND HERBERT STEIN WOULD BE INVITED. WE HAVE NOT RESPONDED TO NISHIYAMA'S CALL.

2. EARLIER SAME DAY MAINICHI REPORTER SAITO (WHO IS MARRIED TO FUKUDA'S DAUGHTER) HAD ON PERSONAL BASIS INFORMED EA/J THAT FUKUDA PLANNING PRE-ELECTION VISIT TO WASHINGTON AND WISHED TO MEET WITH PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY. WE TOLD SAITO WE WERE SURE EMBASSY TOKYO WOULD BE PLEASED TO ASSIST FUKUDA IN THIS REGARD.

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3. WE ASSUME THAT FUKUDA WILL BE COMING TO WASHINGTON
ABOUT JUNE 10-11 IN CONNECTION WITH IMF MEETING AND LEAVE

TO YOUR DISCRETION HOW BEST TO ASCERTAIN FUKUDA'S WISHES
FOR APPOINTMENT SCHEDULING HERE.

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